

S/N 09/712,064

Response to Office Action Dated 04/21/2003

REMARKS

1 In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests
2 reconsideration and allowance of the subject application. This amendment is
3 believed to be fully responsive to all issues raised in the 04/21/2003 Office Action.

4 The Applicant was presented with a restriction requirement, between Group
5 I and Group II. The Applicant elects group I.

Claims Amendments

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7 Claims 16, 46 and 76 were amended without prejudicing the Applicant's
8 right to file the same or similar claims in the future.

9 Following the amendments, claims 16, 46 and 76 include the elements of
10 claims 1, 31 and 61, respectively. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully
11 requests that the Examiner examine claims 16—30, 46—60 and 76—90 in
12 addition to the claims of Group I.

Conclusion

13 The Applicant elects Group I.

14 The Applicant amends each base claim in Group II to include all of the
15 elements of a base claim in Group I.

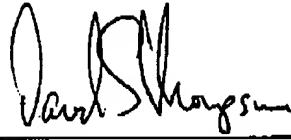
16 Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests that all claims, as
17 amended, be examined.

18 Claims 1—90 are in believed to be in condition for allowance. Applicant
19 respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the present
20 application. Should any issue remain that prevents immediate issuance of the
21 application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney to
22 discuss the unresolved issue.

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